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1. DURING MEETING WITH DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL JANUARY 3, SUBJECT REFTEL WAS RAISED WITH TIME ASSISTANT PUBLISHER LANE FORTINBERRY. HE STATED FLATLY THAT PROPOSED MEETING WITH ARAFAT WOULD NOT RPT NOT TAKE PLACE AT ANY OFFICIAL FUNCTION BUT IF MEETING COULD BE ARRANGED, IT WOULD BE BETWEEN "NEWSTOUR" GROUP AND ARAFAT ONLY. HE STILL UNCERTAIN WHETHER MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE, WHETHER IT MORE LIKELY TO BE IN DAMASCUS OR BEIRUT. HE FELT POSSIBLY LOCAL TIME REP MAY HAVE BEEN MISINFORMED REGARDING WISHES OF GROUP AND INDICATED HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH HIM TO STRAIGHTEN OUT ANY POSSIBLE MISUNDERSTANDING THIS SCORE. KISSINGER

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